CAUGHT FROM A CIGARETTE.

Gibson, Miller & Richardson's Big Printing House Destroyed by Fire.

BUILDING AND CONTENTS CONSUMED.

The Loss Will Reach OverOne flundred Thousand Dollars and is: Only Partially Covered by Insurance.

Wrapped in a winding sheet of flame, surrounded by blaning piles of costly paper. valuable inks and tens of type and other printing material, a chracette was incitrated in Oninha vester-day, its funeral pyre was one which even a rabeb might envy; its end as glorieus for a rigarette as its frost argent admirer sould have This morning blackened walls, piles of charred timbers, torsion and twisted macrimery, and all the wreck that marks the destruction of one of Omnha's most extensive lastitutions the Gibson, Miller & Richardson printing and publishing housestanden monument to carelessness.

Shortly before? a clock vesterday moraing, and before the employes of the establishment had arrived to begin the day's work, a smell of smoke was detected by Night Watchinas Heavy Queslan, Day Checkman Paliansbee had just arrived Doubt as to the origin of the small did not long lagger, for while the mon still smitted the air, a volume of flame and smoke rashed up from the press room. All the mes could do was to save thouselves. Then with a wonderful rapidity, the ties seread from floor to floor, eagerly feeding on the costly material so handly laid out for its consumption. Piles of paper, completely printed and waiting the bladers' inishing touches; other piles in course of printing, and still others, virgin, awaiting the embrace of the press to secome pregnant with the burden of the types, spread about the press room. Then the obeginous inksaded a frightful zest to the fury of the flames. From floor to floor destriction spread, finding nothing, almost, to check it. After the paper and posses went the types, and stones, and the bindery, engraving and lithographing departments.

No efforts of the tiremen could avail in a field so favorable, and from the first the battle was only one to hold the flames from spreading to adjoining property.

Only one fortunate area satance is noted in connection with the fire. None of the femdrects who earned their livelihood there had yet assumed the day's rostine. This alose prevented loss of life.

STORY OF THE FIRE.

Incidents Connected with the Blaze

Briefly Stated. The boys in No. 3 curine house had just returned from a fire in Tom Murray's house at Seventeenth and Hargey streets, when they heard of the big fire. The Murray fire was not expensive, but was very funny. Tom lives about three doors away. He was in bed when he beard that one of his buildings was on fire. He sprang out, and, necording to a witness, ran some distance to a telephone in his bare feet. The loss in this case was nominal, the damage being caused by a defective

Just how the fire originated is not known. The printers, pressure and tradesmen are not expected to report until 7.3 o'clock. The bers who feed the presses and are apprentices come later. Then there was also Quadan, the night watchman and Falausbee the day cheekman there carv. Quirdan works all night, Falanshee is stipposed to arrive early enough to check off the bourthat the day employes

Both these men were present when the boy who cleans up, and startes heat in the room had also been in this apartment.

Mr. Grison, the manager, is of the opinion that the fire originated from some employe striking a match for the purpose of lighting

a citarette or cigar. When the men reached the street from the press room the fire had gained considerable headway and had filled the building with smoke. The elevator shaft, as usual, further than the control of the contro nished a flue, and in a very few seconds from the time the sharm was given all exit from the building by means of the sanirway or elevator had been out off.

The four flows of the building were all lied with material in various conditions. Great piles of printing and note paper, blank book uniterial, ink, type, presses and the many kinds of machinery used in the bust of the firm Much of the contents wa a highly inflammable nature and the he spread almost instantly, covering every floor and part of the building. Floor after floor gave way and the mater-

ial is each department fell with a crash to the basement only to be rapidly consumed. The fire department responded promptly to the alarm of fire and made a great fight against heavy odds. The heat from the building was intense and the smoke blind ing. Chief Galligan at a critical moment called his men from their work on the west only three minutes before the wall went

and began threatening W.J. Breatch's hard-ware store, next door. A determined effort was made to protect this maiding from manwith march of the broke through the walls and considerable chanage was done before it could be extinguished. Mr. Broatch places his loss at \$25,000 which was fully covered by in

The tire in Broatch's store caught from the top foor, where nothing but dry wood ma-chinery is stored. The cellar in Housten's store was also flooded by water and his stock in general had to stand considerable of a

It was only after a stubborn fight of three hours that the fire was finally entirely under control and all risk from further loss r

only fireman injured was Churles Elliot of No. 1 sugine house, who was struck on the wrist by a piece of falling cornice. Chief Galligran saved the lives of the who work on the apparatus from No. 5 engine house by absolutely driving them away from the west wall of the building just Iron works occupying the space between the burst building and the D.M. Steele building were hurriedly form away by the firemen.

The heat from the lire was so territe that it affected the current of the electric motor and cars were stopped ranning on all the lines where the Sprague system is used.
From the moment the fire was discovered. there was a crowd of people numbering from

which is a total loss. Neessarily great streams of water were turned into the building and the one adjoin-ing. The street was flooded, and the police Gibson, Miller & Richardson will lose heavily by the are. The arm sweed and op-erated the oldest and largest printing and Ittiographing establishmet west of Chicago The firm had at least \$10,000 worth of work in hand that was partially or completely fu-ished, but not delivered. The insurance will reach about \$50,000, but the plant is said

The building was owned by Ben Smith and The stock, which was one of the largest in Omaha, is a total wreck. There is a possible ity that some of the presses, which were of the second floor, may be saved. In the base ment there was a large stock of heavy and print papers. The next floor was the count

m, which also contained considerable

dock. On the floor above this are the presses stora. On the floor above this are the presses and considerable stock. The printers work on the third floor and the bindery is on the fourth. None of the employes had arrived prior to the time the fire broke out. The firm did wood and photo engraving, photo lith graphing, lithograph engraving, haddenall kinds of stationery, did binning,

In active all kinds of stationery, did binding, all series of printing, label manufacturing, electrotyping, and also made maps. There was no decadedly important work on hand that was look. All the state work and local public work had fortunately been delivered. The fire will be the cause of throwing about seconds five people out of employment. It was one of the biggest institutions of the kind in the sets.

Collision Near Oxford.

Beatmer, Neb., Magram to Tim Ber coived from Secretary this morning to had possible for a suitable building in this city, coived until April 7.

For Robbing a Baitrout An A Treat

Mr. Gibson was about the building all day, assisting in carrying out whatever books or papers that could be rescued from the busi-

telegream was received from Governor Boyd during the afternoon tendering the use of his affice, appeals the burned building, to Messix Gibson, Miller & Richardson. The offer was accepted, and what few books and papers that could be recovered were moved

over to this onless.

It was next to impossible to reta complete will be damaged by fire and water considerably, especially by the latter, as the firemenhave kept continual streams claving all day loog. Broatch's cellar s filled with water. His stock on the top Hoor valued at \$19,000 was more or less burned. Wheeler & Wheeler, insurance accests, carried Breatish for \$17,000 in virgious companies, and fraudition to this the stock was further insured. The Glbson, Miller & Richardsonstock was insured in so many companies that it took all day for the agents tetracethe work down. The Nebraska Fire Insurance company through its different agencies was carrying about \$80,000 aone. Altogether the

insurance will accregate over \$80,000.
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been ascertained, i Nebraska Fire.												į.	. 8
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A HORRIBLE SCICIDE.

Poverty and Misery heads an Old Man to Take His Life. Naw York, March 9 - | Special Telegram THE BEE |- Both cabins of the ferry boat J. W. Waterbury, of the Floaston street line, were growded when it started from its Willamsburg sip at 8:20 o'clock this morning. Men and women, for whom there was not nom haide, stood under the shelter of the increase deck. In full sight of them an ola man crawlet down on the edge of the boat where one move would throw him into the river. Then he ruised his right band, and men and weinen standing spell bound, saw that an ivery handled unife was strapped to his wrist. He examined the sharp edge of the blade with a critical air for a moment and then, just as the two deck brands plunged through the awed crowd to the gates, he drew Il across his throat under the right car and disappeared under the water with a splash. Almost immediately be reappeared strug-gling on the surface. The water formany feet around him was dyed red as the deck hands twisted their boat hooks into his clothes and finally succeeded in pulling him out. As they brought him up out of the water he was discovered making frantic efforts still to saw away at his throat. He had two slashes across his chest. The man turned out Poverty and misery evidently prompted him to his desperate deed. He wil

KIDDER, PEARODY & CO.

Rumors in Circulation That the Firm Will lie Reorganized.

New York, March 9.—Reports were cur-rent today that steps are being taken to reorganize the firm of Kidder, Peabody & Co. by cutting the New York office off from the Boston house and organizing a new firm here It is stated that the New York house will b composed of Thomas Baring and George C. Morgan and their associates, and be known as Baring, McGoun & Co. McGoun when asked said: "It is not in definite enough shipe to make any innouncement yet." It company, he said the change in the title and membership of the firm would not altar his relations to the Atchison company in any way. It is understood that the present tirm of Kidder, Peabody & Co. will continue under the same name and include those who are no active in it, including Peabody and Kidder. The tirm is prominentall over the world and is generally looked upon as a Boston house, but its operations in New York have grown to such importance that a sepa-

A Terrible Revenge,

New Your, March 9. Twesty-five hirty Polish Hobrewswent to Januica, L. L. early this morning to wreckyengeance upon Herman Greenbaum, proprietor of a cloak manufactury, who was employing non-union secople. They smashed in the doors and proceeded to desirely the stock. The proprietor and his wife were kieked and beaten and vitriol thrown on the manufacturer's four-venrold son burning him in a terrible manser. Frank Ringgold the man said to have thrown the vitrion, was captured in New York this afternoon. The call d cannot sur ive his injuries. Greenbaum and his wife re also both in a doctor's hands.

An Employers' Manifesto. RECEIVED THE N. Y., March 9. - The clothing smoutheturees of this city have issued a manifesto relative to the labor troubles, They refer to the action of the Knights of Labor, whese leaders in Rochester, they say, vere not selected from residents, but from sersous brought therefor the purpose of pronoting the peculiar trinis of that organiza-ion." They recite threats, interference, c., say trade has been diverted and their siness injured until the conditions are uncarable and they have determined to throw off this tyrainy and provide safeguards fo

An Assignee Electal. Arcuison, Kan., March 2 - Special Teleram to Tue Ber | W. T. Branch has been elected assignee of the Security Investment company of Cawker city, Kan, which failed a short time ago. Claims amounting to \$1,250,000 were reported at the meeting. The laims are mostly guarantee) mortgages held a Maine and other New Fingland states. dany of the mortgages are on Atchison city

frick has stace greatly depreciated. Steamship Arrivals.

At New York the steamer Servia, from At Beifast Lord O'Neil, from Baltimore, At Retterdam-Chicago, from Baltimore, At London Noerdland and Suevia, from At Southampton - Werra, from New York,

A Citrus Fair.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., March 9.- |Special Telegram to THE BEE.] - The Southern Pacific citrus fair opens at Los Augeles tomorrow. It is estimated that a million oranges will be used in the displays.

Six Thousand Miners Resume Work. Parisness, Penn., March 9. - Six thousand niners in the Mononganela vailey resumed workthis morning at the increased rate of wages conceded them.

FATAL RESULTS OF A WRECK.

Engineer Nelson Instantly Killed in a Collision Near Oxford.

THREE MEN BITTEN BY A RABID DOG. this morning to advertise at once for pro-

for Robbing a Bailroad - An Army Deserter Caught -State News

miles east of here last night, with fatai resuits to the engineer, Swan Nelson. In deaccording the steep incline near Mascotthe train was cut into three sections. Brakes were effectually applied to the rear cars but lot of the insurance on the lessess Breaten | the second section went sweeping down the hill, crashing into the engage with terrific force, and hurling the engineer out of the cab window. His death is supposed to have been instantaneous. The remains were brought here and sent to Nelsons' homeat. McCook this morning. The dead man teaves a wife and four children. The accident resulted in considerable damage to rolling stock.

Bitten by a Mad Dog. Naunoska Cirv, Neb., March 9 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE. |-About 1 o'clock this thorning a mad dog fan dow Central avenue biting, snapping and frothing at the mouth Richard Grass, Frank Davis, a Western Union telegraph boy, and John Weir, a Pacine express driver, were bitten by the anirial. Weir's wounds are serious, his right hand being terribly torn. After biting a number of other dors the rand canine escaped into the country. The city is greatly excited, and an indiscriminate slaughter of

Losses by Fire. HARVARD, Neb., March 9. - Special Telegram to Tue Bre | - Fire, presumably from combustion, was discovered in C. D. Moore's drug store, near the oil room, by H. H. Germain about 10'clock this morning, and had gained such headway before the engine could begotten in teservice, that the posteffice build ing and Germain's restaurant adjoining were totally burned with almost their entire contests before control could be regained by the tiremen and citizens, who thought at one time it would work across the street. The greater part of the glass in the fronts of the buildings opposite being cracked and broken us it was. The losses are as follows C.D. Moore, drug stock, \$3,000, and insured for \$1,700; Miss Huson, \$1,500, insurance \$1, 000; G. W. Martin, postmaster, \$400, insur 800; Martin & Storm, books, about Schloat building, \$1,000, insurance \$500 T. H. Bennett, building \$700 in surance \$500.

about \$500, with no insurance.

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A Deserter Caught. LINCOLN, Neb., March 9. - Special to THE Bec. | -A telegram was received by Marshal Melick last evening from the chief of police of Leavenworth that Lucas, who deserted from Company H. Fourteenth infantry, at Fort Leavenworth in December last, was at present sojourning in Lincoln and inclosing a description. The telegram also stated that Lucas was at present going under the name of Brown, and that his wife would arrive here at 8:30 last evening over the Missourl Pacific. Herdescription was given and pre-

caution taken for her reception.

Laterin the evening the officers visit to his boarding house and called the landlord out. He assured them that the man, who went under the name of O'German. boarded there, but had gone to Hastings t be back tomorrow. The officers next paid the Burlington offices avisit. Lucas was enrolled there as a brakeman, but two days be fore had secured a three days lay off. The officers telegraphed Lucas' description to the city marshal of Hastings, and this afternoon received a telegram that the man was in custody. Walter Melick will go after om tonight. The military authorities wired

to iron him beavily, as he is a hard man to handle and will try to escape. Lucas is about twenty-eight years old and his wife is a rather pretty young woman.

Robbing the Railroad. FRENONT, Neb., March 9. | Special Tele gram to THE BEE. | Detective Pinneo of Omahahas been diligently engaged here dur ing the past week in uncarthing the thieve who have been robbing the cars of the Elkhern read for mouths past. The round up of his labors came last night when Pinneo, assisted by the Fremont police, capturni two wagon loads of stolen merchandis upon the premises of Peter Beck and Henry Greenslip, living in the eastern part of the city, near the Elichorn yards. These two men were arrested; also Nels Christensen, a step-son of Beck's, and one A. Peterson, wh Peterson are only young boys. The first named of the boys has made a partial con-fession, in which be implicates a half-dozen other parties, who will in all probability arrested tonight. There is a good deal of excitement over these developments. The railroad people have been toding large quan-tities of coal durang the cold weather and some of the thickes implicated by the boy are said to have harded away coil, com and outs

by the wages load.

Amputated H is Leg. PLATEMOUTH, Neb., March 9. — Special Tel-egram to Tim Ber. | —Al Rhoden, one of the men recently injured by the bursting of a buzz saw on the farm of Robert Nichols, near this efty, underwent today the ampitation of his leg. Thelimbwas takenoff just below the knee and the patient is on a fair way to recovery. Owing to his peculiarly nervous system the administering of chloroform was attended with considerable danger, the effects almost proving fatal, but by great care and promp attention the physicians pulled him through. Frank Moore, the other victim, is getting niong well.

in reciprocation of the good will recently shown by the clizens of Louisville toward this city in the county court house affair Plattsmouth to a man is working in behalf of their enterprising neighbor to secure the e tablishment of the intermediate penitentiary proposed in Representative Spryock's bill a

Grand Jury Indicon ents. BEARRICE, Nob., March 9.- Special Tele-

gram to THE BRE . |- The grand jury for the present term of court made its report this morning and was discharged. Indictments were returned as follows: Dave Lilly, murder in the first degree, caused by weeking a Union Pacific passenger train; C. H. Martin and James Myers, embezzlement and forgery William Hughes, selling mortgaged property William McKinney, C. H. Bowles and Ed Johnson, barglary. Indictments were also returned against a number of prominent property-owners for not having provided suitable fire-escapes to buildings, part of which were rented for sleeping apartments contrary to a statute covering the same rests have been made of all parties under the indictments except C. H. Martin, whose operations and subsequent flight from th untry was described in these dispatches

two weeks ago.

Awaiting the Result. PONCA, Neb., March 9. | Special to Ton BEE. |-Ponca people anxiously await the termination, in the supreme court tomorrow of the action taken by County Clerk T. J Sheibley of this place, asking for a peremptory writ of mandamus, compelling the school board to reinstate in the school his

daughter Annie, who refusing to pursue the prescribed course, was expelled for insub-ordination. Public option as to the outcome of this case is greatly divided. Both plaintiff and defendants feel sure of victory.

To Advertise for a Site.

BEATRICE, Neb., March 8 .- Special Telegram to THE BEE |- Instructions were recoived from Secretary of the Treasury Foster posals for a stituble site for the new public building in this city. Proposals will be re-

A Treat Expected. Posca, Neb. March 9 - Special to Tue BEE The Knights of Pythias of this city Oxroup, Neb., March 9.—Special Tele-gram to Tur Bur,—Train No. 70 the west bound freight was partially wrecked ten

Forcelosure Sales. Livcots, Neb., March 9 .- | Special to Tun Brr - Masterin-Chancers Shafer of the United States count of Omaha was in Lincoln today, and sold property in forcelosure in the case of George Alcout vs. Nancy N. Carder. This property was bought in by E. D. Fellows for \$1,000 Mr. Sanfer also sold the property over which H. S. Moseley and J. B. Irwin are disputing. The Chicago, Kansas & Nebraska rallrond company is interested in this case through its right of way. This property sold for \$3,000.

The Bonds Blegal.

Posca, Nob. March 2 - | Special to Ture BEL |- In their laudable efforts to procure waterworks for Ponca the mayor and councilmen seem to meet with much adversity. On sending the bonds to the state auditor for his signature, word was received from him that the notice calling for an election had not been published a sufficient number of time and consequently was void. Thus the entire proceedings of calling another election, etc., will have to be repeated, but this will be in mediately done and Ponea will yet have

A New Fair Association.

Lour Ciry, Neb., March 9 .- [Special to The Bur. The Agricultural Pair association of Sherman equaty have filed articles of incorporation and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: C. L. Drake president, R. J. Nightingale first vice president, J. M. Snyder second vice president, R. J. Scott secretary, and Phillip Jacgor treasurer. The association starts out with very flatter ing prospects, as the shares have been taken by the best business men and farmers of Sherman county, and will have money in their treasury after purchasing the old fair ground site, which is already equipped with buildings and a good half mile race track.

Was Put Off the Train. LUNCOLN, Neb., March 9 .- [Special to THE Brr.]—Ellis J. Miller wants \$5,000 darrages from the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad company because he was put off a car near Atchison, Kan. Miller claims that he and a friend bought two tickets to carry them to Jacksonville, Fig. and return. That at the point above mentioned they were foreibly ejected from the train. Mr. Miller further claims that after being put off the cars, in order to get transportation he was compelled to pawn his watch and personal effects to obtain money to continue his journey. From the exposure incurred from being fired from the cars Mr. Miller claims that he contracted the exernciating finially known as rheamatism, and that he is thereby permanently injured \$5,000 worth. He al-leges that this disease was caused by the indement weather existing at the time he was fired from the trara.

DIED IN A HOSPITAL.

The Sad End of a Persecuted Russian Refugee.

PHILADELPHIA, March 9. - Special Telegram to Tur Ber. |- There died in the Phila delphia hospital yesterday a man with a history — Matthew Zaleskeviez, a Russian refugee. He was born in Kostronia near Moscow 50 years ago, and entering the army rose rapidly until he became commander of the body guard of the exar, the present ruler's father. He then reigned to undertake com mercial pursuits, and soon became one of the leading grain merchants of the Russias and obtained much renown as a philanthropist. Through the malignity of a discharged servant a charge of collusion with the nihilists was brought against him, his immense estates were confiscated and he was thrown into prison. His excellent mintary record saved him from being sent to Siberia, and after suffering four years of solitary confinement he escaped and made his way to Odessa. From there he

was carried in a sailing vessel to a Mediter-ranean port and then made his way to London, where for a time he worked as a la-borer. Friends in this country induced him o come to America and he New York in December last. The rigorous winter proved too muck for a broken-down constitution. Three weeks ago he came t imally drifted penniless and hopeless to the Philadelphia hospital, where yesterday he

CONFESSED TO A MURDER.

A Dying Man's Startling Disclosure of a Crime.

TACOMA, Wash., March 9.- Special Telesgram to THE BEL -A Norweglan mamed Lars Pedersen made a confession on his death bed in this city vesterday. He confessed that hekilled Lars Hartsum in Sloux Cay In the spring of 1889, in the packing house, and east his body among the 10,000 carcusses. The crime was not discovered and the people there were alarmed over the missing Hartson. Pelersen came to this city with his wife and they have been living here since. In his dying hour he remarked: "I amglad! told this. I can die in powe."

Boston, Mass., March 2-Right Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, episcopal bishop of the diocese of Massachusetts, died this

Curcaso, March 9. Joseph Oliver, manager of the People's threater, died today.

Monteomear, Ala., March 2.—Joseph
Morse, the richest banker in the state, died today of heart disease. He was largely in strumental in building up Birmingham and developing the resources of this section Tecsos, Arl.z, March 9-Major Van Vliet, formerly of the tenth cavalry who was thrown from a wagon at Hookers ranch, died today from his injuries.

The Weather Foreeast. For Omaha and vicinity-Fair: followed

by rain or snow; warmer. For Nebraska-Light here tomorrow morning, the statement to be made in writing. At this conference Moore warmer; except cooler by Wednesday in western portion: variable whole.

For South Dakota and Jowa Increasing cleans and light snow; warmer, except cooler by Wednesday in west Dakota; south-

Sugar Trust Profits.

NEW YORK, March 9. - Before the senate committee lavesticating the sugar trust today, G. S. Ellis, an accountant, testified that the trust fast made a profit of ever \$11,900,000. The stockholders had been paid 10 per cent of this. The remainder is still in the hands of constituent companies.

California's Election Law. SACRAMENTO, Cal., March 9. - The billot

reform bill, a modification of the Australian

KANSAS' PROHIBITORY LAW.

An Interesting Report of the Investigating Committee.

NO ATTEMPT IS MADE TO ENFORCE IT.

Startling Testimony Brought Out Concerning Glaring Violations of the Law-No Decrease in Drunkenness or Vice.

TORKA, Kan., March 9. Special Telegram to THE BEE! The committee apcointed by the house to investigate the met ropolitan police system in this state has comploted its report, which will be submitted tonormy morning at 10 o'clock. 'The report consists of the test mony taken in the various cities of the first class and concludes as

"Your committee has heard no testimony which induces it to believe that the probletorylaw has been enforced in any city of the state, through the agency of the metropolitan police or any other machinery of the law. In all of the cities, fines, or forfeited recognizances, called fines, are imposed, and there is usually no further punishmentinfficted. The more vigorous the effort made to enforce probibition in the cities, the nore irresponsible and debased are the menwho are eagaged in the traffic; the more de-ceptive the devices and secluded their places of business. The authorities of Popelar have made a more determined effort to enforce combition laws than any city of its class ng \$15,000 per anuam in excess of all the

evenue of the police department. The report concludes with the suggestion hat the governor be memorialized not to ap pointany more police commission boards. The machinery is in the control of the repub-

icans and Governor Humphrey will pay so attention to the menorial. The investigations of the committee have orne from the country to Topeka rabid pro-dibitionists. Mayor Neeley of Lenvenworth, a member of the committee issists that be-orethe committee ould properly report on the boards of police commissioners in the cities of the first class, it would be accessary for it to examine witnesses who core competent to testify in regard to the aforegreet of the prohibitory law. Dumbould of Lyon county, the chairman of the people's party central committee, was made chairman of the investigating commitlee and the cities of Leavenworth, Atchison, Wichita, Karisas Cuy, Kan., and Fort Scott were visited. Then the committee made a

inulwical-up in Popeka.
It has always been admitted that in the cities of Atchison, Leaven worth, Wichita and Kansas Chy, Kan., the prohibitory law is openly violated, but Topeka has been cointed teas a city in which the law was bridly enforced. It has been argued that if he law could be enforced in Topeka it could be enforced in the other large towns of the state. The most sensational features, thereore, of the report is the following, taken romine testimony of S. B. Isenhart, the resent city attorney of Topeka: "What are the substitutes for the saloon

"Well, the bootleggers, the secret joint, and of course some of the drug stores sell a good deal, without doubt, and also liquor is kept in jugs and bottles in every coaccivable way in offices, rooms, and private places, by

private persons and clubs. "Do you believe there is as much drinking in the city of Topeka as there was before the "I think there is just as much whisky and It may be that it has diminished some what ery cumbersome to handle under the pro

"Do the police records show that houses of rostitution exist in the city of Topeka f"

"Are they fined by the police"

"Is gambling carried on to any great exent, as evidenced by the records of the

court!"
"Why, I think about as usual." Mr. Isenhari concludes his testimony in re-posse to questions by detailing the manner in which gamoiers and prostitutes are fined the police court.

On the strength of this report, which will e published with the testimony for distribu tion to the members, a determined effort will be made to defeat the clause of the appropri ion bill which sets apart a fund for the pe the boards in the various cities. I will be charged that is thecity of Topeka the whole solice machinery has been devoted to nothing except an attempt to create the impres sion that he probitatory law was being en forced, while is the other towns the cornais

Speaker Elder's freight ratebill, providing for a reduction of about 30 percent is freight rates, failed to pass the senate. The house passed the senate bill making eight hours a vork day for state, county and municipal

ioners licensed joints and houses of ill-re

The house passed the senatebill appropriat ng \$50,000 for the Kassas display at the

vorld's fair.

THE ILLINOIS STRUGGLE. A Split in the Banks of the Farmers' Mutual Benefit Association.

SPRINGERED, III., March 9.—There has

ceranother ratical enarge in the senatorial ituation tonight, and it looks very much as hough Streeter is done for. Senator Evans f Aurora leader of the anti-Streeter republicans, is responsible. It seems that Streeter in his list conference with the three Farmers' Mutual Benefit association men gave a forecast of the speech he proposed to make when elected senator. In it he made vital concessions to the republican party, saying he would uporall question not essential to the principles of the Farmers' Mutual Benefit association party. vote with the republicans. and Cockrell objected, and Streeter promised to amend his speech in accordance with their wishes and to conclude it with the assertion that he would consider himself Farmer's Mutual Benefit association party Schator Evans, it is stated, had a long conference with Cockrell in Chicago Saturday He stated to Cockrell that he Evans) might be forced to support Streeter, but that it would be under protest and because the independent candidate and made every concession to the republican steering committee which had been requested by even the most radical republicans. This made Cockrell in dignant, and he assured Evans that Foreast.
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> is to be present and he and Cockrel are to prepare an amountement to the public re-citing loss of confidence in Streeter and stating that on account of his plottees to the republicans the Farmers' Mutual Behefit Association will no longer support him for the United States senate.
> At a conference this evening Taubeneck remarded his two colleagues that sero weeks any Streeter had avowed that would upon all questions not escential to the Farmers' Matual Benefit Association party vote with the republicans, but Moore and Cockrell as isted that be had since that time made additional concessions which would shed his future actions.

"Very well," said Tauteness, "but I warm you that if you desert Streeter new you will cale yourselves in the Farmers' Mutual flon

forence wi tomorrow l'aubenie ote for Streeter or any tran-it that Cockrell and Moon ter, or simply cast their risto searce his election, on, brother of the late gain, unt an exsolutor, Murphyshoro, has sent ormerly mayor efeat thus suce at a sacrifice of prop

dome her house water and but one bullet was then in joint assembly. As no majority voted the estion adjourned

Stekness at Pierrs. Picture, S. D., March B. - Special Telegram o Tue But | The funeral services were head ver Senator Carls this morning under the inspices of the Knights of Pythias, and the

emains were sent to Rapid City. Hon George H. Hand of Yankton, well known allover South Dakota, lies danger-ously sich at the Larcke hotel.

Two sisters of Lepreentative Jones of Day, have been taken with scarlet faver and great fears are entertained in this city over the chances of a fever epidemic.
Fifty or sixty persons are sick in this city with the grippe and pnecionals. The open

winter followed by the exceeding old weather is the cause. Maine Municipal Elections. Bission, Mc., March 9.-Joseph W. Snow dem.) was elected mayor today. At Bolfas Hon W. P. Thompson, Into democratic memnce for governor, was elected mayor. Arm str., Mc., March 9, J. W. Chase, rep) was elected mayor. The reminder of he republican ticked was also successful.

Bibberous, Me., March 9.—The democrats lected their full city ticket and council

The Fight 1s Gerung Warm.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., March 9-|Special Telegram to The Ber.|-Word comes from Sacramente today that the sonatorial fight is caxing warm. Each candidate has detectrees watching to catch the other fellows buy-ing votes. There are at least temperate de-tectives on the scene, Ex-Compressment Charles N. Felton still seems to be in the

TILIANISTS, UNITED STATES.

the Sucker State Preparing to Sac Uncle Sam.

SPENGRELD, III., March D. The prelmnary steps in an important sait have been ornsleted by Attorney General Fluit. It is he suit of the state of Elinon against the Inited States in what is familiarly known as the "two per cent." claims, the state claming several handred sand dollars because of non-fulfillment of contract on the part of the government h ic construction of anational road from the navigable waters thowing into the Atlant n the east to and through the state of Illi misto the Mississipa river. This highway was known as the Cumberland road and was to be a great national highway, to be constructed by the United States. In the act admitting Hilinois to the mion 3 per cent of the act proceeds of the sale of all public lands in the tate were reserved on sales after January I 819. Similar provisions were made at the time of the admission of several other states and in all cases except. Ohio, Indiana and Illinois the government has accounted in full to the state the amount of the esserved ! per cent. The case will come up in the court of claims at Washington soon.

The amount asked is \$474,114. A STAY IS DENIED.

Murderer Ford's Hopes of Escaping the Gatlows Are Diminishing.

tay of execution of murderer Ford in the upreme court today Chief Justice Schoffeld aid that the court could not consider a parial record made up from the notes of the atorneys for the defense, noit could not earrectly give the testimony. The court stred that the proper place for securing a stay of execution was either from the circuit court or the governors office at Springfield. If a true record of the testimony be written up the court would then hear the case upon a writef error, but could otherwise take no action. Ford's chances are reduced materially.

TWENTY REPORTED DROWNED. Rumored Loss of the Steamer Buckeye

renat a stay and his last chance is Governo

on Puget Sound. SEATTLE, Wash., March 9.—It is removed eretonight that the small steamer Buckeye west dows in the sound between Edwards and Apple Tree cove with tweaty passengers lastnight. The rumor cannot be confirmed as there is no telegraphic communication with Edwards, and the place cannot be

reached tonight. The story is that the captain of the Back eye invited a party to go with him on a trip acress the sound. About twenty accepted the invitation. The boat had reached the middle of the sound when a storm came up.

For an hear or more there was a heavy gale. A grader on the railroad near Edwards reported that he saw a light bobble on the water for an bour or so and then disappear. The boat did not return to Edwards last night, and this morning near that place the shore was covered with wrealcase. This story was broadly here by the steamer Idaho, which touched at Lawards this morn-

Anviety Felt for a Schooner.

New York, March 9. - Anxiety is felt concerning the four-masted sensoner, William Nealy, which has not been beard from since the 5th, when she collided with the schemer Gregory, both being badly damaged. It is feared that she has gone down.

Father, Motter and Son Billed. Lansino, Mich., March 9, W. M. Mc Laughlin and son were instantly killed and Mrs. Mclaughlin fatally injured by a Grand Truck passenger train near Shattshurg this morning while driving home. The woman

camot live.

Victims of the Havana Wreek. JUKSONVILLE, Ill., March 9- Two of the passengers injured in the Jacksonville & Southeastern wrockyesterday near Havana have since died. They were Charles Mul-hancy of Streeter and Walter Commo of

Fatally Burned While Drunk.

CINCINSTILO., March 9. Nicholas Vin-

cent, aged forty, was found today in his colliders shop, fatally burned. He died on the way to the hospital. It is supposed that the way to the hospital. It is supposed that and early regulables. Similar remotes come from several points mong the Tombighee. Three Fishermen Browned ALBERT, N. Y., March 9. David Zarbury

Romaine Von Warmer and Joseph Von Warmer, fishermen, were drawned in the Husson river today by the capsizing of their Two Homesteasters Perish. Asur. iso. Wis., Murch 9. Yesterday's

bilimed was the worst of the season. Two

homesteaders on the newly opened hand per-

Island in the storm. The Subject of Bearonesses.

New Young March D. [Special Telegram to The Box. The New York presbytery conference. It will undoubtedly become a law. It provides among other things that presidential electors may be grouped and voted for.

Specifical formula party. Specific from the provides among other things that the provides among other things that to competent to competent to the insolves and would be responsible to their constituents.

Specifical from hours and a half today in declating the overtures of the general assorably regarding the overture of the provides and the overture of t spent two hours and a baif today in debating The understanding now is that after a con- left the matter open.

THE FLOOD AT NASHVILLE.

Fifteen Hundred People Driver From Their Homes by High Water.

GOODS IN WAREHOUSES DAMAGED.

A Cyclone Passes Over Pickens, Miss., and Kills Four Negroes The Town Isolated From the

Outside World.

Nosevitte, Tesm., March 9. The rise in te river continues. Between fifteen hunred and a thousand people may been driven. comther homes and goods in warshouses. nd cellars" have suffered much damage. Reports from all points on the giver show it is gising everywhere and the follows of the Olico and Mississippi will prevent the Camberland from running dawn as rapidly as twelld.

arve done otherwise. The river confinnes to rise at the rate of a parter of an each an hoor, but it is expected but it will begin to recede this evening, as opens received from upriver points show and the high waters are slowly falling.

STORM-SWEPT ENGLAND.

Wind and Snow Doesa Great Deal of Damage.

[Copyrighted 180] by house Gordon Branett I. Loxucos, March 9.—1 New York Herald able- Special to The Bars. - The worst nowstorm of the senses swept over the 'n ited Kingdom today, the wind blowing at fearful velocity, driving the snow around drifts two and three feet deep. The streets re descried by both perfections and vehicles, while railway communication with the subrbs of London is almost entirely cut off. elegraphic communication with the provrees is suspended, as the wires are down in

The Herald private wires to the continent ave been blown away. The London papers morrow will present the unusual appearnegof being without a word of coaunental ews. From all parts of England come torics of destruction by the storm. Ship-

ing suffered heavily. The English channel is simply one expanse f boiling, sections water, the waves dashing ver the pier at Dover, washing everything away. Across the channel steamers ara reiving in port in a battered condition, with re passengers very wet and their faces of a ellow has to tell the story of their experi-

There was an extraordinary speciacle on There was an extraordinary speciacle on the strans when the theaters were turned out. The very law cabs that were about the Jarveys, who fared the storm, turned up their noses at anything under quadruple fares. Worses in evening dress fight-ing against the winn with their wraps fut-bring in the story brease, or excellents in ering in the staring bream, or enveloped in their excerts' coats, were to be seen. In the shouls already the list of shipping its asters has assumed fair purportions, and tomorrow is sure to bring forth news of many

The barometer is still falling toxight, and here are no signs of an abatement of the

Pickens, Miss., Isolated. New Obligans, La. March 9.—Picayune's ickens, Miss., special says: We have been solated slace last Saturday, when the last train passed north. Continued rains since Orrawa, Ill., March 9. | Special Telegram | Thursday night have raised the water in the it is still rising rapidly. The filinois Central railroad track was lifted bortily from its bed and secosted in the clich for miles below and above here and the embankment swept away. Incalculable damage has been done by water, A cyclome passed over this place Saturday morning without doing any damage, dropping over in Madison county, where t caused destruction of life and property. Passing from there into Attala county, near

Cowport, several houses were blown down nd feur negroes killest. A Pleavine Quitmann, Miss, special says: The almost unprecedented rainful in this section the past week has caused a general reslet and a cossition of the traffic on rail-coads. The town of Enterprise is invadated, o a large extent, the water flowing through he streets with the venetty of a river and a many instances coming into stores. The sshas so parallelsave in the memorable

Bridges and Tuenpikes Washel Away. Okonova, & Miss., March 9. Reports reeived show that great damage was done broughout the country by the floods of Satiriday and Sunday. Many bridges and turny olkes were wasted away and railroads dama aged. At Lexagtor, Miss., the storm was the most destructive ever known. Farming operations are entirely suspended and lands outly washed, delaying pariting.

car 1887.

A terrific sterm passed within three miles of Brandon last night, carrying destruction in its path. Every beise on Senator Donald's mines was blown away and his wife seriously migurest. The bouse of David Wilson was also blown away and he and his invalid wife pallofully injured. They had to remain out

n the storm all night. Sunday's Big St rms.

Curson, March 9.-Dispatches from numerous points throughout Minnesota, corthern lows, central Illinois and southern Wisconsia report that the severest snow torm of the winter raced all tay Sundays Prains are ranning ushind time and in many places none are moving. Fravel on wagon reads at numerous points is wholly suspended and in cities street for traffic more or less delayed. Severel storms are reported from various points in Texas. Snow and steet have fallen and it is feared full trees are conversed.

are daimaged. Southern Fruit Crops Damaged. New Onlines, La. March 9.—The freeze n February 20 did considerable damings to the precapactive fruit crops in this state. On Saturday afternoon half fell and Saturday right rain fell in terrents for hours, causing relator damage by washouts and overflowing low lands than has been done in many years; aust night there was another free

any kind will be produced this scason. Entirely Saurounded by Water. Coursenes, Miss., March 9. This city is owentirely surrounded by water. The low ands on the east side are covered for some listance and there has been considerable less of cattle. Show people have abandoned

river, which is rising rapidly. Dense Fog in New York Bay.

New York, March 9 - This afternion a deten for hastened twillight in this city. The river and buy were shrouded in impenetrablemist Similar reports come from along the court. At Haitimore all navigation is stopped and at Cape Henry not in vessel passed in or out today.

All Streams Over Their Banks. Yazan Tim, Miss., Marin a Reports

from different parts of the country, received today, indicate that Friday and Saturday's livery rule has proved disastrous to houses, outbuildings and bridges. Every stream is

thailreads Injured by a Charlburst. Mon man, Miss, March o, Thordon burst of Saturday might did immone discours to ail resironds cheering the city and traffic is mus-